

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
UC2000-275-2

In Re Application Of: **DOMINIC W. MASSARO ET AL.**

Serial No.  
**09/960,248**

Filing Date  
**SEPTEMBER 20, 2001**

Examiner

Group Art Unit  
**2644**

Invention: **VISUAL DISPLAY METHODS FOR USE IN COMPUTER-ANIMATED SPEECH PRODUCTION**  
**MODELS**



**TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of October 23, 2001 in the above-identified application.

*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month  Two months  Three months  Four months  Five months

from: December 23, 2001 *Date* until: February 23, 2002 *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

is enclosed.  
 has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the extension of time is **\$195** and is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.  
 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No.  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.  
 If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **07-1137** A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

*Signature*

Dated: **February 25, 2002**

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**cc:**

I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on **February 25, 2002** with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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